

1. The Coffey County Commission Chambers opened at 8:00 a.m. Monday, February 28, 2022. Chairman Jesse Knight called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with members Don Meats, Tom Hugunin, Tim Johnson and Bob Saueressig present. Coffey County Clerk Angie Kirchner, County Counselor Wade Bowie, II and Administrative Assistant Andrea Berryman were also present. Road and Bridge Supervisor Jeff Beyer, Coffey County Economic Development Director Bobby Skipper, Emergency Management Director Carl Lee, WCNOC Representative Matt Dekat and Coffey County Republican Editor Mark Petterson were also present.
2. Saueressig moved to approve the minutes dated Tuesday, February 22, 2022, seconded by Johnson. Motion carried 4-yes, 0-no, 1-abstention, Hugunin.
3. Johnson moved to approve the minutes dated Thursday, February 22, 2022, seconded by Hugunin. Motion carried.
4. Knight moved to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign nine (9) tax abatements in the total amount of \$56,529.02, seconded by Saueressig. Motion carried 4-yes, 1-no, Hugunin.
5. Meats moved to appoint Sandra Meats to fill the unexpired term of Nikki E. Houston as Clerk of LeRoy Township, seconded by Hugunin. Motion carried.
6. Johnson moved to appoint David Foster Jr. as a member of the Coffey County Fire Board to fill the unexpired term of Jim Trager effective immediately and ending December 31, 2023, seconded by Knight. Motion carried.
7. Knight moved to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the advisory Memorandum to Department Heads and Elected officials, 2022 Salary Chart and Forms CP-4U and CP-5, which reflects a \$0.75 per hour market adjustment as of March 1, 2022, seconded by Hugunin. Motion carried.
8. Saueressig moved to pay the difference of the Henderson bed from the May of 2021 bid to the May of 2022 bid in the amount of \$6,796.84. Funds to come from the Road and Bridge Fund, seconded by Johnson. Motion carried.
9. Saueressig moved to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign a letter stating Coffey County provides a match commitment in the amount of \$1,184,000.00 to procure a \$14,451,000.00 grant from the Department of Commerce, seconded by Knight. Motion carried.
10. Saueressig moved to authorize and direct the Chairman to authorize and direct the Chairman to sign the letter of support for Coffey County Health System for a SPARK Building a Stronger Economy (BASE) Grant, seconded by Hugunin. Motion carried.
11. Meats moved to recess into executive session for 20 minutes at 10:52 a.m., to include each of the Commissioners, County Counselor Wade Bowie, II and Economic

Development Director Bobby Skipper, to discuss financial affairs and trade secrets of a corporation, regarding trade secrets of a corporation, under the Kansas Open Meetings Act (K.S.A. (75-4319)(b)(4)). To resume in the Commission Chambers at 11:12 a.m., seconded by Johnson. Motion carried.

12. The Board regular session at 11:12 a.m.
13. Meats moved to recess into executive session for 20 minutes at 11:19 a.m., to include each of the Commissioners, County Counselor Wade Bowie, II and Economic Development Director Bobby Skipper, to discuss financial affairs and trade secrets of a corporation, under the Kansas Open Meetings Act (K.S.A. (75-4319)(b)(4)). To resume in the Commission Chambers at 11:39 a.m., seconded by Johnson. Motion carried.
14. The Board regular session at 11:39 a.m.
15. Johnson moved to recess into executive session for 10 minutes at 11:44 a.m., to include each of the Commissioners and County Counselor Wade Bowie, II, to discuss matters deemed privileged under the attorney-client relationship, regarding legal issues related to County processes, under the Kansas Open Meetings Act (K.S.A. (75-4319)(b)(2)). To resume in the Commission Chambers at 11:39 a.m., seconded by Saueressig. Motion carried.
16. The Board regular session at 11:54 a.m.
17. Knight moved to recess into executive session for 20 minutes at 12:14 p.m., to include each of the Commissioners, County Counselor Wade Bowie, II and Economic Development Director Bobby Skipper, to discuss matters deemed privileged under the attorney-client relationship, potential County litigation related to zoning regulations and public nuisances, under the Kansas Open Meetings Act (K.S.A. (75-4319)(b)(1)). To resume in the Commission Chambers at 12:34 p.m., seconded by Meats. Motion carried.
18. The Board regular session at 12:34 p.m.
19. Johnson moved to recess into executive session for 20 minutes at 12:51 p.m., to include each of the Commissioners, to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel, to review the applications for the Health Department Administrator position, under the Kansas Open Meetings Act (K.S.A. (75-4319)(b)(1)). To resume in the Commission Chambers at 1:11 p.m., seconded by Saueressig. Motion carried.
20. The Board regular session at 1:11 p.m.
21. Saueressig moved to recess into executive session for 20 minutes at 1:27 p.m., to include each of the Commissioners, to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel, to interview candidate #3 for the Health Department Administrator position, under the Kansas Open Meetings Act (K.S.A. (75-4319)(b)(1)). To resume in the Commission Chambers at 1:47 p.m., seconded by Hugunin. Motion carried.

22. The Board regular session at 1:47 p.m.
23. Meats moved to recess into executive session for 10 minutes at 1:55 p.m., to include each of the Commissioners, to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel, under the Kansas Open Meetings Act (K.S.A. (75-4319)(b)(1)). To resume in the Commission Chambers at 2:05 p.m., seconded by Knight. Motion carried.
24. The Board regular session at 2:05 p.m.
25. Saueressig moved to transfer Carl Lee from Emergency Management Director as the Health Department Administrator at his current salary, effective March 9th, 2022, seconded by Meats. Motion carried.
26. Knight moved to advertise to fill the Emergency Management Director position from in-house or outside the County, seconded by Johnson. Motion carried.
27. The Board will question and sign warrants and vouchers for the month of March 2022 on Monday, March 28th, 2022, following the meeting.
28. The Board will question and sign warrants and vouchers for the month of April 2022 on Wednesday, April 27th, 2022.
29. The Board will question and sign warrants and vouchers for the month of May 2022 on Thursday, May 26th, 2022.
30. The Board will question and sign warrants and vouchers for the month of June 2022 on Monday, June 27th, 2022, following the meeting.
31. The Board will question and sign warrants and vouchers for the month of July 2022 on Wednesday, July 27th, 2022.
32. The Board will question and sign warrants and vouchers for the month of August 2022 on Monday, August 29th, 2022, following the meeting.
33. The Board will question and sign warrants and vouchers for the month of September 2022 on Wednesday, September 28th, 2022.
34. The Board will question and sign warrants and vouchers for the month of October 2022 on Wednesday, October 26th, 2022.
35. The Board will question and sign warrants and vouchers for the month of November 2022 on Monday, November 28th, 2022, following the meeting.
36. The Board will question and sign warrants and vouchers for the month of December 2022 on Tuesday, December 27th, 2022, following the meeting.

37. Knight adjourned the meeting at 2:13 p.m.

Correspondence

1. Kansas Division of Environment – Drinking Water and Wastewater Projects – February 7, 2022
2. The Kiplinger Tax Letter – Biweekly to Business Clients – February 17, 2022
3. The Kiplinger Letter – Forecasts for Executives and Investors – February 17, 2022

Minutes, February 28, 2022

Signed:

Attest:

Chairman

County Clerk